

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2838**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Makoto TANIGUCHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2838

Application No.: 10/823,650

Examiner: A. BOATENG

Filed: April 14, 2004

Docket No.: 119443

For: INTERNAL CONDITION DETECTION SYSTEM FOR A CHARGE  
ACCUMULATING DEVICE

**REQUEST TO ENTER APRIL 11, 2007 AMENDMENT AND APPLICANTS'  
SEPARATE RECORD OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative during the May 14, 2007 telephone interview. The following is Applicants' separate record of the interview.

An Advisory Action for this application was issued May 3, 2007. The Advisory Action alleges that the amendment to claim 1 in the April 11, 2007 Amendment After Final Rejection (Amendment) raises new issues that require further search and consideration. The April 11 Amendment was not entered on the above-noted basis. However, the amendment to claim 1 was made in response to an objection in the Office Action that the previously claimed "input stopping means" should have been recited as a charged input stopping means as was originally recited in claim 17, which was previously considered by the Patent Office. During the May 14 telephone interview, the Examiner agreed that the amendment to claim 1 does not raise any new issues requiring further search and consideration, and that the April 11 Amendment should have been entered. As such, the Examiner agreed to enter the April 11 Amendment and its amendment to claim 1. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner enter the amendment to claim 1 and consider the April 11 Amendment on the merits. Further, as the Amendment was timely filed (on April 11, 2007) before the shortened statutory due date and should have been considered by the Examiner, it is believed that no extension fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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